

# 2010 Jennifer Nelson "A Level Above Good Neighbor" Award

Sponsored by the Terre Haute Neighborhood Partnership

### **Eligibility Criteria and Requirements:**

The Jennifer Nelson "Good Neighbor" Award recognizes the ongoing efforts of citizens in Terre Haute who are making exceptional contributions to improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods and our city. Award recipients are those who embody the spirit of a true neighborhood leader, showing empowerment, self-sufficiency and self-determination.

All nominees must be 18 years of age or older and a resident of the city of Terre Haute.

Below are some of the criteria nominees will be judged on:

- Shows caring beyond their own responsibilities as a citizen. For example, checking in on a neighbor they haven't seen in a few days to make sure they're okay.
- Shows concern for their neighborhood's well-being and the overall quality of life in the city. For example, gathering a group of neighbors to clean up an alley or asking people to support a cause being considered by the city council.
- Shows concern about the eco-environment in their neighborhood by planting trees, recycling cans or campaigning against a company that isn't environmentally friendly to our city.
- Overcomes obstacles and/or takes risks in pursuit of creating, developing and furthering strong neighborhoods.
   Examples are organizing a neighborhood yard sale or annual block party, or participating in a neighborhood patrol/watch program.
- Uses leadership to encourage neighbors to participate in activities which benefit the entire neighborhood, such as organizing to stop a business opening in a residential area or keeping a neighborhood school open.
- Demonstrates results. For example, someone who encourages or mentors neighborhood youth to take an active role in their community or volunteers to start literacy programs for adults.
- Models the true spirit of citizenship. As our former President John F. Kennedy would say, "Ask not what your city can do for you, but what you can do for your city."

Jennifer Nelson was an outstanding young lady and devoted mother. She loved her child and all children in the neighborhood and provided the Young Children of the Community Hope, a NAACP organization. In her spare time, she loved working in her neighborhood to make it a better place to live, as well as being involved with her church and senior citizens.

She worked at Eli Lilly until her death in 2009. As we go forth she will always be remembered for her good works in the community, making her "a level above".



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#### **Nomination Form**

#### The deadline for entries is March 31, 2010

Nominee:		
Name:		
Address:		
City: Terre Haute	State: IN	Zip:
Daytime Telephone:		
Email:		
Nominator:		
Name:		
City:		
Daytime Telephone:		
Email:		
Please list up to three (3) reasons why	you believe this person sho	ould receive the 2010 Jennifer Nelson Award:
2)		
3)		

- What do you want the committee to know about your nominee, or what makes them unique?
- Please complete this page. You may attach a maximum of four pages including a narrative and photographs.
- Remember, the committee will not be able to ask you questions, so be as thorough and concise as possible.

Complete this form and send electronically to <a href="leah@ryvesneighborhood.org">leah@ryvesneighborhood.org</a> or mail to: 1313 Locust Street, Terre Haute, IN 47807